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April 14, 1999

Dr. Jeffrey Mount Director, Center for Integrated Watershed Science and Management University of California, Davis Davis, CA 95616

Dear Dr. Mount,

I am writing on behalf of The Nature Conservancy's Cosumnes River Project to express our support for the Watershed Center's proposal to develop a long-term, linked monitoring and assessment program in the Cosumnes and Mokelumne watersheds. The program will provide technical, analytical and informational tools to support adaptive management in the critical East Delta Habitat Corridor which is a priority area for both TNC and CALFED, and which provides critical habitat for priority species.

The proposal is unique in that it is long-term, it is comprehensive and it links biological processes to hydrologic systems. It does not focus on a single species or stressor or process, but rather brings to bear expertise from a variety of disciplines to develop predictive restoration models that reflect the complexity and connectivity of living river systems.

This comprehensive, multi-disciplinary approach is designed to yield results applicable to other Conservancy projects and to a wide array of other restoration efforts in the Bay-Delta. The work that you propose to do will support the Conservancy's stewardship responsibilities on the Cosumnes Preserve and is consistent with the Conservancy's commitment to disseminate the lessons learned from the practice of adaptive management on its ecologically critical holdings.

We look forward to participating in the expanded set of collaborative research opportunities that this program will bring to the Cosumnes-Mokelumne watersheds.

Sincerely.

Mike Eaton
Project Director





DENNIS M. DIEMER
GENERAL MANAGER

February 16, 1999

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Director
Center for Integrated Watershed Science and Management
University of California
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Dear Dr. Mount:

The East Bay Municipal Utility District wishes to confirm its interest in mutual collaboration and cooperation with University of California, Davis in the Mokelumne River watershed.

It is our understanding that the University of California, Davis has established the Center for Integrated Watershed Science and Management to highlight and expand the campus role in watershed-related research, teaching and outreach. The Center provides knowledge-based services and decision support to watershed stakeholders and decision-makers, and promotes the development of watershed research partnerships between the University of California, and agencies, foundations, and the private sector.

The District supplies water and provides wastewater treatment for parts of Alameda and Contra Costa counties. The District also owns and manages over 54,000 acres of watershed land in the East Bay and in the Mokelumne River watershed, and has water rights to, and diverts water from the Mokelumne River. The District has entered into a Partnership Agreement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) to develop joint action plans to protect and enhance the Mokelumne River ecosystem. District activities undertaken with the Center will be coordinated with the partnership.

Collaborative and cooperative efforts of the District and the Center are anticipated to focus on data collection, storage, analysis and dissemination, with an emphasis on the design, implementation and monitoring of ecological rehabilitation in the Mokelumne River basin. We anticipate entering project-specific agreements with the Center as various projects are mutually developed by the Center and the District after coordination



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with the District's partners (USFWS and CDFG). Our mutual cooperative effort will be accomplished in a manner that protects and maintains the Lower Mokelumne River Project as a reliable, high quality water supply for the District, and supports the education mission of the University of California.

One representative each from the Center and the District will be responsible for guiding the cooperative efforts. The District's representative will be James R. Smith, Supervising Fisheries and Wildlife Biologist.

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Dennis M. Diemer General Manager

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Supervisor Don Nottoli Chair: Cosumnes River Task Force 700 H Street Suite 2450 Sacramento, Ca 95814

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San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors attn: Board Clerk 222 E. Weber Stockton, CA 95202

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Delta Protection Commission 14215 River Road P.O. Box 530 Walnut Grove, CA 95690

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